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Dear Mr. Zaslav:

I write to you in my capacity as Chairman of the Committee on House Administration Subcommittee on Oversight (“Subcommittee”), which has jurisdiction over the safety and security of the United States Capitol.¹ As Chairman, my Subcommittee is the custodian of all records produced and obtained by the Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol (“Select Committee”). On December 29, 2022, Speaker Pelosi designated that all Select Committee records be transferred to the Subcommittee,² which was further solidified in H.Res. 5 in the 118th Congress.³

Unfortunately, the Select Committee failed to properly archive their records, including as many as 900 interview summaries or transcripts, over one terabyte of digital data, and over 100 deleted or encrypted documents.⁴ Therefore, the Subcommittee must now determine what documents were not properly archived, and assess what documents are necessary to accomplish a productive investigation. The Subcommittee has no choice but to repeat much of the work of the Select Committee to understand their investigative findings.

In 2022, Home Box Office, Inc. (“HBO”) released a documentary film, “Pelosi in the House” focused on the life and career of Speaker Emeritus Nancy Pelosi. This documentary film was directed and produced by Alexandra Pelosi, Speaker Emeritus’ daughter. This film includes footage shot by Alexandra Pelosi across many years. Additionally, the documentary includes footage of Speaker Pelosi and members of House and Senate leadership after being evacuated from the Capitol Complex on January 6, 2021.

The Select Committee, in its primetime public hearing on October 13, 2022, used exclusive footage filmed by Alexandra Pelosi, some of which was included in “Pelosi in the House” before the public release of the documentary film.⁵ The footage includes discussions of the law enforcement and National Guard response to

¹ Rule X, Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives for the 118th Congress; Paragraph (c)(2), Rule 17 Rules of the Committee on House Administration for the 118th Congress.

² Letter from Nancy Pelosi to Bennie Thompson (Dec. 29, 2022). (on file with the Subcommittee).

³ H.R. Res. 5, 118th Cong. (2023).

⁴ STAFF OF H. COMM. ON H. ADMINISTRATION, SUBCOMM. ON OVERSIGHT, 118TH CONG., INITIAL FINDINGS REPORT ON THE FAILURES AND POLITICIZATION OF THE JANUARY 6TH SELECT COMMITTEE AND THE ACTIVITIES ON AND LEADING UP TO JANUARY 6, 2021.

⁵ Eric Tucker, *New Jan. 6 footage shows Pelosi, leaders as crisis unfolded*, AP News (Oct. 13, 2022).

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the violence at the Capitol. This footage was not archived by the Select Committee despite being used as an exhibit in a public hearing, which is in clear violation of the rules of the House of Representatives.⁶

As the Subcommittee continues its investigation into the security and intelligence failures related to January 6, 2021, it is imperative for the Subcommittee to review the raw, unedited footage in order to recommend corrective action concerning the law enforcement response.

I respectfully request that HBO respond to the following questions, pursuant to our oversight responsibilities over the security of the U.S. Capitol Complex. The records listed below are necessary for the Subcommittee to effectively conduct oversight of the United States Capitol Police (“USCP”) and the House Sergeant at Arms (“HSAA”) to evaluate the security failures that occurred on January 6th, 2021, and to prevent the same failures in the future.

- Did HBO or Warner Bros. Discovery produce any raw footage from January 6, 2021, filmed by Alexandra Pelosi to the Select Committee?
 - If so, please preserve and provide this footage to the Subcommittee.
 - If not, please inform the Subcommittee where the Select Committee may have received this raw footage used in its public hearings.⁷

Please immediately provide all responsive materials no later than June 6, 2024. Thank you for your cooperation in this important oversight matter to ensure the security of the U.S. Capitol Building, Members, staff, and visitors.

Sincerely,



Barry Loudermilk
Chairman
Subcommittee on Oversight
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⁶ Records Management Manual for Committees, Office of the Clerk, House of Representatives (September 2023).

⁷ NBC News, *Jan. 6 Committee Shows New Video Of Pelosi And Other Lawmakers During Capitol Riot*, YOUTUBE (Oct. 13, 2022).